

REMARKS

I. STATUS OF THE CLAIMS

Claims 32-34, 38-44, 47-55, 59-61, 66 and 86-88 are canceled herein.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that claims 1-2, 4-8, 10-13, 16-25, 28-31, 62-65, 68-85 and 89-92 are currently pending.

II. REJECTION OF CLAIMS 1-2, 4-8, 10-13, 16-25, 28-34, 38-44, 47-55, 59-66 AND 68-92 UNDER 35 USC 103 AS BEING UNPATENTABLE OVER OJHA IN VIEW OF CAMERON

The present invention as recited, for example, in claim 1, relates to (a) dynamically maintaining a plurality of organizational profiles containing business rules, a plurality of users each being associated with a particular organizational profile; and (b) providing an executable on a shared executable hosted e-procurement system.

As recited, for example, in claim 1, the executable is shared by the plurality of users to implement user requested transactions of the plurality of users. As recited, for example, in claim 1, the executable implements a respective user requested transaction by a respective user with an application system by accessing the organizational profile associated with the respective user and implementing the business rules contained in the accessed organizational profile.

Please note that claim 1 is amended to clarify such features. Somewhat similar amendments are made to various other claims. Support for the amendments is found, for example, in FIGS. 2 and 3, and the disclosure on page 16, line 3, through page 26, line 10, of the specification. See also operations 810 and 812 in FIG. 8, and the disclosure on page 36, line 15, through page 37, line 15, of the specification.

Ojha's e-procurement system describes a process of proposing, receiving and accepting bids between a buyer and a plurality of sellers. Ojha's system provides an electronic commerce solution by which an individual buyer may negotiate online in a traditional and non-bidding manner with one or more sellers. See, for example, column 2, lines 40-43, of Ojha.

More specifically, Ojha discloses a negotiation method between one buyer and one or more sellers on the Internet where an individual buyer may negotiate online in a traditional and non-bidding manner with one or more sellers. A buyer conducts a number of simultaneous negotiations with different sellers for the same product or even multiple products. See, for example, column 4, lines 28-30, of Ojha. When an agreement is reached on any one of the bids, all other negotiations for the products are automatically terminated. See, for example, column 4, line 39-41, of Ojha.

As indicated above, the present invention as recited, for example, in claim 1, relates to dynamically maintaining organizational profiles. Ojha does not disclose dynamically maintained

organizational profiles.

As indicated above, the present invention as recited, for example, in claim 1, relates to a plurality of users each being associated with a particular organizational profile of a plurality of dynamically maintained organizational profiles. Ojha does not disclose users being associated with organizational profiles.

As indicated above, the present invention as recited, for example, in claim 1, relates to an executable which is shared by the plurality of users to implement user requested transactions of the plurality of users, wherein **the executable implements a respective user requested transaction by a respective user with an application system by accessing the organizational profile associated with the respective user and implementing the business rules contained in the accessed organizational profile. See, for example, FIGS. 2 and 3 of the present application.**

Ojha does not disclose or suggest such a shared executable. More specifically, Ojha does not disclose or suggest a shared executable which implements a respective user requested transaction by a respective user with an application system by accessing the organizational profile associated with the respective user and implementing the business rules contained in the accessed organizational profile.

An Examiner Interview was conducted on March 22, 2005, at the USPTO, between Attorney Kravetz and Examiner Gart. Generally, during the Examiner Interview, Attorney Kravetz discussed differences of embodiments of the present invention over Ojha. The claims are amended herein in accordance with the discussion during the Examiner Interview.

The above arguments are specifically directed to claim 1. However, it is respectfully submitted that the arguments would be helpful in understanding various difference of various other claims over Ojha.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the rejection is overcome.

III. CONCLUSION

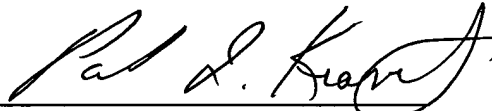
In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

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Respectfully submitted,

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